

## NEW ALMELO NEWS

By Betty Otter

On October 4, Tom and Gayle James, Lenora, attended the wedding of their daughter, Caitlin James to Oliver Buell, Holton. They were married at Holy Name Catholic Church in Topeka. Also attending the wedding were Caitlin's brothers and sisters, Quentin and Charlotte James, Jacob and Bridger, Rawlins, Wyo.; Bethany and Adrian Key, with son, James, Albuquerque, N.M.; Wesley and Alice James, Ellis, along with their children, Maggie, Emily, Hannah and Luke.

Mark and Sheila Otter and family, Ulysses, visited Alfred and Betty Otter on Oct. 6. They helped Sheila's parents, Larry and Lorene Taylor, celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary on Saturday.

Sunday evening, Oct. 6, St. Joseph Parish helped Father Vincent celebrate his 58th birth-

day with a pot luck meal. Linda Becker made a special cake for him.

Nathan Zodrow is replacing the cement in front of the church and parish hall. It has made an improvement in the looks of things.

On Oct. 15, Donella Otter, Willow, Alaska, and her sister, DeChantel Lucas, Greeley, Colo., came to New Almelo to touch base with some cousins. They are the daughters of Alphonse and Dorothy (Mindrup) Otter, who moved to Alaska in the 1940s. Cousins who were able to come for a pot luck meal that evening were Marion and Marilyn Otter, New Almelo, Philip and Liz Jansonious, Prairie View; Bill and Eulalia Sughroue, Indianola, Neb.; Allan Otter and Cecilia Knepper of McCook, Neb.; Sister Rebecca Otter, Larned; Nick and Kathy Otter, Hoxie; Judy Schuler, El-

lis; Loretta Flax, Ransom; Teresa Bird, Leoville; Francis and Phyllis Otter, Lenora; Pat and Garret Otter, Norton; and Alfred and Betty Otter, New Almelo. The next day, they went on to Hays and Russell, then on to Salina on Oct. 17, visiting cousins and an aunt, Jeanette Weishaar.

Charles Otter, Saige, Cury, and Jeni Otter, Salina, visited Alfred and Betty Otter on Oct. 12. Saige was having her senior pictures taken by Wendy Keith, Bogue. Tom Otter, DeSoto, came to his parents home on Oct. 18 to do some hunting.

Father Dan Scheetz began a Mission on Sunday evening at St. Joseph Church. It will continue each evening until Oct. 22.

On Oct. 21, Frank and Lavonne Otter flew to El Paso, Texas, to welcome their son, Brandon Otter, back to the states from Iraq.

## JENNINGS NEWS

By Louise Cressler

The Jennings Tuesday Study Club met at the Jennings church and pooled rides to the Landmark Inn Teller Room in Oberlin on October 22. After lunch, a meeting was held with President, Carla Latimer presiding. Roll call was to bring an apron. Answering roll call were members: Rachel Carter, Louise Cressler, Patty Foster, Terri Hanke, Lila Jennings, Carla Latimer, Sue Long, Roberta McAlister, Joan McKenna, Shelley McKenna, Joanie Metz, Helen Muirhead, Helen Rhodes, and Lynn Tacha. Liann Martin gave the program about the history of aprons and all the ways they are used. LiAnn has a collection of 180 aprons. She quoted "An apron without a stain is like a photo album without pictures."

Stains are memories. The group met on the steps of Landmark for a photo of all wearing their aprons. Donations for the Angel Tree gifts were collected from members present.

Many workers with equipment gathered at the community hall Saturday for the City-wide clean-up. All the help cleaning and loading; those helping get lunch ready or in any way helping to make this a success was very much appreciated.

Those enjoying cards at the Sunflower Senior Center Wednesday were: Agnes Wahlmeier, Linda Spresser (who got highest score), Arlene Sharp, Diane Carter (who got the most aces), Eleanor Morel.

Reminder: Breakfast at the former Masonic Hall Saturday, Nov. 9, starting at 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. Biscuits and gravy, and all the other goodies. The is opening day of Pheasant hunting season.

Supper that evening at the United Methodist Church starting at 5-7:30 p.m. Adults \$7 a plate, children \$4, under 4 years of age free. The menu is shredded pork/with bun, ham loaf, mashed potatoes, vegetables, dessert bar and salad bar.

The community extends sympathy to the family of Glenda Johnson. Glenda Johnson died Thursday morning, Oct. 31 at the Norton County Hospital where she was taken Sunday, Oct. 27 after suffering a stroke. Glenda was such a kind person. We will miss her.

I was in the Norton hospital Monday and Tuesday this past week. Had high blood pressure and rapid heartbeat. I am recuperating after fainting from taking some new medications. Fractured a bone in my neck, so I have an uncomfortable collar on.

I was sorry to have to miss correspondence luncheon Friday at the Landmark Inn, Oberlin. Carolyn Plotts was very thoughtful when she came down Saturday to take pictures of the city-wide clean-up, she brought me the little gift they had gotten at the luncheon and other goodies. Thanks to Carolyn and Marge Hartzog.

## The gift of life...



The American Red Cross held another blood drive on Thursday at the 4-H Building. (Pictured) Tim Graham of Norton, gets his blood drawn by Caroline Woods, phlebotomist for the Red Cross. Noe Musquiz (background), Norton, donates blood as well. The drive brought in 62 units of blood and the goal was 64. The next Red Cross blood drive at the 4-H Building will be Jan. 9, 2014.

—Telegram photo by Mike Stephens

## LYLE NEWS

By Veda Wood

Twelve diners dined at Lyle on Sunday, including Pam and Mike Hornung, of Aurora, Colo. They were visiting Toots Magers and Pam's mother, Jane Engelhardt, and Judy and Charlie Easton. Toots visited Helen Helm at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin on Thursday. She also played cards at Norcatur on Friday. She reports that Allen Powell is slowly improving in his bout with West Nile disease.

Kathy Van Meter and Lloyd Frandsen attended the funeral of Marian Winger on Saturday at Paul's Funeral Home in Oberlin.

Joyce Sumner is still working on quilts and taking them to the hospital in Norton. Keith Anthony donated several tops which we appreciate, and which will get the same treatment.

Brian Kelly has made very fast progress in his recovery from his wreck. He is still with his parents.

June Jolly dressed as a bag lady at the Halloween party at the Senior Center in McCook. She is starting a new quilt, and still playing cards and bingo-and swimming.

Bee Nelson took Dorothy Ward and I to the luncheon at the Landmark Inn hosted by Northwest Newspapers for all the workers of the newspaper. Besides a delicious lunch, each received a gift of kitchen towels and table decorations.

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## Register of deeds reports

By Cynthia Haynes

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While Norton County doesn't make a fortune off recording fees for deeds, those have contributed a little over \$56,000 to the county coffers since the beginning of the year.

Register of Deeds Wanda Vincent visited with the commissioners at the meeting on Monday about how much the county gets off these fees and about a push by the state bankers and real estate brokers to eliminate it because farm credit lending groups do not have to pay this fee.

Since January 1 (10 months), she said, the county has recorded 156 instruments (mostly deeds) for property mortgaged for \$22.429 million. The various fees add up to \$64,503

of which the county received \$56,073 and the Heritage Trust Fund got \$2,243.

The Heritage Trust Fund money goes to the state historical society, she said.

If the fee is eliminated, that means that the county will lose its \$56,000 and the state historical society will also lose a lot of its funding.

Last year, the county received \$57,696, in 2011, it was \$47,489 and in 2010, it was \$50,149.

Ms. Vincent noted that in the same 10 months, 17 farm credit mortgages were financed through farm credit for about \$35 million. Farm credit banks are exempt from that amount of mortgage registration.

Ms. Vincent said that her department is looking at software that will allow e-recording of

documents instead of by paper.

Now, she said, the original deed or document has to be given to the register. If there is a problem, the document has to be sent back, which can take a week or more and then returned, another week or more.

The e-filing wouldn't save or make the county any money as there would be no increase in fees and there are costs associated with getting the setup and software. However, the system would make things go quicker and provide a lot fewer headaches, she said.

Ms. Vincent said that this isn't being used much in western Kansas yet but that both Morton and Greeley counties are using it.



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the fair, served as a day camp and county camp counselor just to name a few. Rebecca loves 4-H and knows the skills she has learned in 4-H will serve her for

life no matter where she is or what she does.

The 4-H Achievement Night Planning Committee consisted of the Prairie Dog 4-H Club.

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## Council

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nately must go through cancer treatment. When they have twelve scarves completed, the girls will deliver the scarves to the Norton County Hospital where they will be available to cancer patients receiving treatments at the facility.

We would like to thank Pauline Poage for her commitment to 4-H. We congratulate her and thank her husband Darnell for supporting his wife.

The Key Award was presented to Rebecca Wentz. 4-H is not just an organization, but a way of life for Rebecca Wentz. She is a 10 year member of the Prairie Dog 4-H Club. Rebecca has turned into quite a leader. She has been President of her club and the Norton County 4-H Council this past year. She has been a leader by holding almost every office at the local level, and being a project leader for clothing and swine. Rebecca has learned that community service is a big part of 4-H. She has baked cookies, worked at